Calvin L. Scovel III Inspector General, U.S. Department of Transportation

Calvin L. Scovel III is the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

Mr. Scovel was nominated by President Bush on July 13, 2006, confirmed by the Senate on September 29, 2006, and sworn in on October 27, 2006.

Scovel joined DOT after 29 years of active service in the U.S. Marine corps. He will retire as a Brigadier General on January 1, 2007. His last military assignment was as a senior judge on the U.S. Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals. He previously served as Assistant Judge Advocate General of the Navy for Military Justice, the principal advisor to the Secretary of the Navy and the Judge Advocate General on all criminal justice policy matters. Mr. Scovel also commanded a military police battalion, which provided all security and law enforcement services for Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Virginia.

Mr. Scovel served as senior legal advisor for the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, which included all Marine amphibious forces in Operation Desert Storm, and in a NATO exercise in Norway. In addition, he previously served as legal advisor for a Marine amphibious unit deployed to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans, where it conducted exercises in Japan, the Philippines, Kenya, and Australia.

He was prosecutor or defense counsel in 250 courts-martial that included charges of murder, rape, child sexual assault, and drug trafficking. As an adjunct faculty member for the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies, Mr. Scovel led instruction teams in the rule of law and civilian control of the military for senior civilian and military officials in Honduras, Mauritius, Albania, and Serbia. Mr. Scovel, who was in the Pentagon on September 11, 2001, has received military awards including the Legion of Merit (three awards) and Combat Action Ribbon.

Mr. Scovel received his Bachelor's degree from the University of North Carolina and his Juris Doctor degree from Duke University. He also received a Master's degree from the Naval War College.

He lives in Montclair, Virginia, with his wife, Cathy. They have two sons: Carey, a 2006 graduate of Elon University, and Thomas, a midshipman at the U.S. Naval Academy.

Mr. Scovel is the sixth person to serve as DOT Inspector General. The Office of Inspector General (OIG) was established by law in 1978 to provide the Secretary

and Congress with objective and independent reviews of the efficiency and effectiveness of DOT operations and activities.

The OIG carries out its mission by issuing audit reports, evaluations, and management advisories with findings and recommendations to improve program delivery and performance. In Fiscal Year 2006, OIG issued 76 audit reports, which identified more than \$893 million in financial recommendations.

By statute, the Inspector General also conducts investigations into whether Federal laws and regulations were followed and must report suspected civil and criminal violations to the Attorney General. In Fiscal Year 2006, OIG investigations resulted in 169 indictments, 177 convictions and nearly \$49 million in fines, restitutions and recoveries.